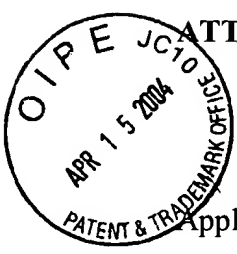


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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF EXAMINER'S ACTION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

The Applicant has carefully considered this application in connection with the Examiner's Remarks mailed January 12, 2004, and respectfully requests reconsideration of this application in view of the following remarks.

The Applicant originally submitted Claims 1-22 in the application. The Applicant has previously amended independent Claims 1, 9 and 16. The Applicant has not amended, canceled or added any claims herein. Accordingly, Claims 1-22 are currently pending in the application.